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Historic event stirs students’ pride

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Historic event stirs students’ pride (continued from front page)

President Obama gave his inaugural speech was nothing short of incredible, as was the entire Inaugural Parade.

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Historic event stirs students’ pride

By Henrica Bresil

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As we moved excitedly through the seemingly sleeping city, the sun now and then shone through the suface of the Capitol building, exposing the delicate picture as supporters converged from the most obscure corners of the town and beyond began to trickle onto the sidewalks. While some travelers were packed into buses and cars, the majority were on foot, walking and taking to the streets in utter excitement. The accompanying article by sophomore Henrica Bresil describes what the momentous event meant to the ABC students.

Students lights a candle symbolizing that change is each person's responsibility.

(continued inside)
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The award-winning artist and his band will perform on Friday, May 1, 2009, at Andover’s Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.

A graduate of Andover High School, Mr. Dailey received national recognition for his 2006 debut album, The Nashville, which was nominated for a Boston Music Award for Best Male Singer/Songwriter and was performed on CBS Radio.

Admission is $40. A limited number of tickets are discounted for $25 for high school students.

For tickets, contact Mary Beth Hahn at 978-474-0531 or marybethhahn@mac.com.

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New B&B coordinator

The program works with local residents who rent out lodging space in their homes on PHILPhil’s Parents Weekends and donate the receipts.

Ann and her late husband, Roger, have provided important support for Andover A Better Chance.

This year she is overseeing a fundraising campaign for the Andover ABC Board of Directors. If you are interested in being a B&B host, get in touch with Ann at abcphil@comcast.net.
2008 Honor Roll

To: The upper school community

From: Lynn Eikenberry, Vice President

Date: June 27, 2008

Subject: 2008 Honor Roll

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ABC alumni on technology's edge

Since Kristina Lord (ABC'99) graduated from Andover High School, she has earned a Ph.D. in physics, held positions in five organizations and begun work on her doctoral degree.

The award-winning artist and his band will perform on Friday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Andover's Old Town Hall, 20 Main St.

A graduate of Andover High School, Lord lives in Livermore, Calif., and has been featured in such shows as CSI: New York. For tickets, contact Mary Beth Nason at 978-474-0953 or mbnason@verizon.net.

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A graduate of Andover High School, Dailey returned to the school in 1994 to perform for free. He recently released his second album, "Down," and has been performing in CSI: New York.

Admission is $40. A limited number of tickets are discounted for $25 for high school students.

For tickets, contact Mary Beth Hoyle at 978-474-0593 or mhoyle@andoverma.net.

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Thanks to Ann Wehle for 15 years of coordinating a breakfast service that is the most reliable fundraiser for Andover A Better Chance.

The program works with local residents who want to help fund a space in their homes on Philp Street. For more information, contact Ann at 978-757-0600.

Kristina has shorter-term plans, too. As the only person of color in the graduate program, she feels "a sense of responsibility to be successful."

But she additions that "the academic bug" again and entered Iowa State University in August 2006. After receiving the second degree, she went to work for IBM as a project manager and engineer in Manufacturing. Her pursuit of new experiences in science and technology "and a lot of it" led her to stints at the University of Washington, Intel Corp., Santa Fe Institute, and Lawrence Livermore National Lab.

"I learned how to help others in ABC and learn how to focus," she said. "In New York, I wasn’t doing that." She recalls.

Her motivation, good grades and strong work ethic earned her a win admission to prestigious Smith College, where she majored in chemistry. After graduation, she enrolled Northfield State to pursue her master’s degree in mathematics.

Secure in the master’s program, she put her networking skills to work for others, helping one colleague get a job offer from IBM and another to get into college.

"I became very good at networking," she recalls of her years in Andover. "Working with the Andover ABC Board of Directors, if you are interested in being a B&B host, get in touch with Marla Libes."
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The ride of us in the Andover A Better Chance (ABC) program left the Andover High School grounds early Sunday morning on a mission to see the inauguration of the first African-American president, Barack Obama.

On Sunday, January 18, five of us sandwhiched ourselves into a minivan while eight others hitched a ride to fulfill a common mission: to travel to Washington so we could experience the event in person.

Housed at Trinity College, we toured the city, explored vendor booths and prepared in great excitement for the historic day we’d all been waiting for since that election night in November.

Our adventure began at 6 a.m. Tuesday morning when the ride of us, accompanied by changing shifts of A Better Chance staff and parents, convened to begin our walk to the nation’s Capitol Building. As we moved outwardly from the seemingly sleepy city, the sun rose and shattered the deceptive picture as supporters converged from the most obscure corners of the town and became beg, stolen, and borrowed the sidewalks. While some vendors were packed into buses and cars, the majority were seen foot, bundled in hats, coats and scarves, swarming the sidewalks and taking to the streets in utter excitement.

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